

Remarks

Claims 1 and 3-4 have been amended. Claim 2 has been cancelled. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims as amended in view of these Remarks.

Claim 1 has been amended and specifies the following limitations:

a network interface at each camera; and

a compressor associated with each camera in advance of the network interface at each camera.

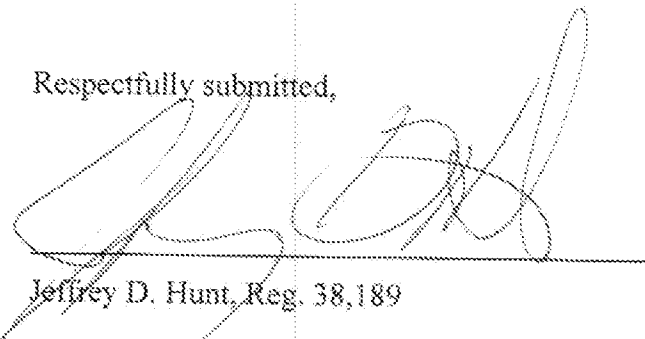
Claims 1-4 were rejected under 35 USC Section 102(b) as being anticipated by Fryer 6,233,428. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection and request reconsideration of claims 1 and dependent claims 3-4, as amended. Fryer '428 clearly does not disclose teach or suggest the limitations of "a network interface at each camera" and "a compressor associated with each camera in advance of the network interface at each camera".

Fryer '428 teaches that a multi-media computer (6) digitizes and compresses a live video feed (col. 1, lines 20-21) fed from remote video cameras (1) connected via a local area network (LAN) or closed circuit television network (CCTV) (5) (col. 1, lines 17-21 and col. 6, lines 14-27). This arrangement is clearly illustrated in FIG. 1 (in FIG. 1, see network 5, computer 6 and monitor 7). Multi-media computer 6 includes a video capture card and a network interface card (col 6, lines 28-29). The regional broadcast server 3 (col. 6, lines 54-60) can include a compressor and network card (col. 6, lines 54-60).

Fryer '428 does not disclose a construction including a network interface at each camera, and a compressor associated with each camera in advance of the network interface at each camera. Accordingly, it is clear that Fryer '428 fails to disclose, teach or suggest the limitations specified in claim 1. Accordingly, claim 1 and dependent claims 3-4 are allowable. Claims 3 and 4 are allowable for the same reasons as claim 1, and further in view of the additional subject matter set forth therein.

In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully request allowance of claims 1 and 3-4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to withdraw or credit any filing fees, or any underpayment or overpayment of any fees, associated with this Response from Moore Landrey Deposit Account No. 50-4128. The undersigned can be reached at (512) 499-8900 to further discuss this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey D. Hunt", is written over a horizontal line.

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